

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
U.S. Patent Application No. 09/346,930

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1, 3-26 and 28-30 pending in the application.

By this Amendment, Applicant has amended claim 1 to incorporate the subject matter of allowable dependent claim 2 and rewritten allowable dependent claim 5 in independent form. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1, 3-26 and 28-30 should now be condition for immediate allowance, and such action is hereby solicited.

If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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